



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 98-385-J)

PATENT

In re Application of: Hauptmann et al.)

Serial No.: 09/899,429)

Filed: July 3, 2001)

For: TNF Receptors, TNF Binding)
Proteins and DNAs Coding For Them)

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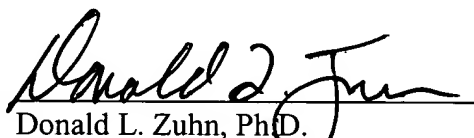
Sir:

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a Two-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Official Action mailed September 29, 2003. A check including the amount of \$420.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2), is attached. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,
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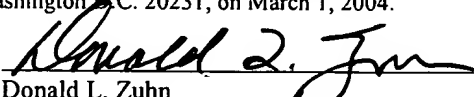
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